House Resolution No. 4688

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Chester McGuire, treasured residents of Kansas City, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on July 28, 2007, with a festive celebration held at the Knights of Columbus Council 3414 Hall; and

Whereas, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on August 10, 1957, Chester Guy McGuire and Charlene Diane Thorp began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony at St. Louis Parish; and

Whereas, since that happy day, Chester and Charlene McGuire have witnessed with pleasure the growth of their mutual trust and understanding, qualities which continue to endear them to one another with each passing year; and

Whereas, a proud father, caring husband, and active member of Union Local 61, Mr. McGuire provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a carpenter for thirty-eight years while somehow finding the time and energy to coach Special Olympics for ten years, to serve on the camp staff at ARC Summer Camp, and to teach SPRED; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Mrs. McGuire enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a stellar employee of Catholic Charities for eleven years, volunteer for the ministry of persons with disabilities for twenty-five years, operator of ARC Summer Camp for eight years, teacher at SPRED, and coach for Special Olympics for ten years; and

Whereas, Chester and Charlene McGuire attribute their fifty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their nine children, Diane Close, Guy McGuire, Martin McGuire, Mary McGuire, Matthew McGuire, Michael McGuire, Paul McGuire, Margaret McGuire, and Joseph McGuire; and their eighteen grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in a thunderous round of applause for Chester and Charlene McGuire upon the glorious celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them much peace and prosperity as they proudly continue their journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Chester McGuire.

Offered by

Representative Jerry Nolte District No. 33

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4688, adopted September 10, 2007.